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Title: **INTERCHANGEABLE MICROSCOPE STAGE DRIVE ASSEMBLY**



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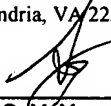
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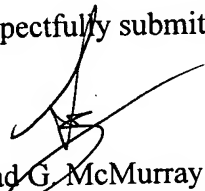
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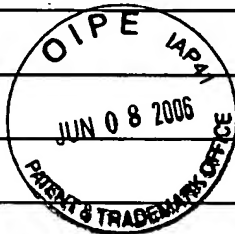
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		<b>2002182122</b>	<b>06/26/2002</b>	<b>Japan</b>			✓	
		<b>DE 3521047 C1</b>	<b>09/04/1986</b>	<b>Germany</b>			✓	

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